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Round Lake Park Police Department – Freedom of Information

Request for Examination or Copy of Records

****Please allow 5 business days for review & processing.**

****Any expenses/fees except those exempted by State Law are the responsibility of the requester.**

Date of Request 11/24/2021	Date and Time of Incident 7/27/21 13:15	Report Number 2021-00557
Type of Incident Electronic Harassment	Location of Incident 433 E. Washington St.	
Name of person making request Michelle L. Bauman	Date of Birth [REDACTED]	Telephone Number [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]	City Grayslake, IL	Zip Code 60030
I am requesting the following record(s) for inspection/copying All Reports and Supporting documents for case Number 2021-00557		
Signature [Signature]		[REDACTED]
Response to Information Request		
Date of Compliance with request 11/24/21	By [Signature]	
<input type="checkbox"/> We are extending the time for response to your request for an additional 5 working days under Section 140/3(d) of the Act due to: (i-vii)		
We estimate the records will be available by:		
Date and Time of extension notification	By:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Your request is "unduly burdensome" and is denied. Responding to this request will disrupt the duly undertaken work of this department. We have extended the opportunity to you to confer with us in an attempt to reduce the request to manageable proportions and you failed to do so. The reasons for this request is unduly burdensome and the extent to which it is are: describe reasons and extent		
<input type="checkbox"/> The following information requested is exempt from inspection, copying or disclosure under Section 7 () Insert specific subsection of the Act for the following reason:		
Date of denial of request	By	
Right to Appeal		
If your request for records has been denied, in-whole or in-part, you have the right to appeal this decision to the Chief of Police		
Response to Administrative Appeal		
Your appeal from the decision to withhold records from inspection and copying has been reviewed. My determination is that the withholding of records from inspection and copying is <input type="checkbox"/> Sustained in-whole <input type="checkbox"/> Sustained in-part <input type="checkbox"/> Overruled		
The reasons for this decision are:		
If the denial of your request has been sustained in-whole or in-part you have the right to judicial review of this appeal and final decision under Section 11 of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act.		
Date of Administrative Appeal	By:	

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Case Report

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INCIDENT REPORT ELECTRONIC HARASSMENT

On 07/27/21 at 1315 hrs I responded to Avon Township, 433 E. Washington Street, to investigate an electronic harassment complaint. Upon my arrival I met township supervisor Michele Bauman [REDACTED] who said a [REDACTED] is sending her harassing communications through Facebook Messenger.

Bauman said [REDACTED] assists with the food pantry and was a close associate of Terry Wilke, the former township supervisor. Bauman said she met [REDACTED] last year when she was doing a door to door election event and they had a cordial conversation. Bauman said that was the only time she met him though he has been contacting her via Facebook since February of 2021.

Bauman said Terry Wilke is currently under investigation by the Lake County State's Attorney's Office and she was disturbed by [REDACTED] messages. Bauman said [REDACTED] said he has information about Wilke but will only give it to her if she gives him money or sex. I asked if I could take Bauman's phone for an exam and she consented. I took several screen shots of the messages.

I sent preservation requests to Facebook for Michele Bauman [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. I dropped the phone off at the Lake County Cyber Crimes Division at 1430 hrs.

The stream of messages occurred from 02/28/21 through 07/27/21 and are as follows:

On 02/28/21 at 1420 hrs [REDACTED] messages Bauman and asks if they can talk. She agrees and they talk via the app for 24 minutes and 31 seconds.

On 04/25/21 at 1355 hrs [REDACTED] asks how Bauman is doing, she responds fine and he asks her what her plans are. Bauman responds with the township or life. [REDACTED] responds with "both". Bauman responds that she is making dinner.

On 05/22/21 at 1820 hrs [REDACTED] asks how the township job is going. Bauman responds that it is good.

On 06/06/21 at 2117 hrs [REDACTED] asks what happened between Wilke and Bauman. Bauman responds if he followed the meeting minutes he would know. [REDACTED] tries to call Bauman but she responds for him to keep helping the people of Avon.

On 06/24/21 at 1206 hrs [REDACTED] asks why Bauman left Wilke. Bauman responds that Wilke lost the election and took the food pantry with him. [REDACTED] tells Bauman he left the pantry. This starts small talk between the two and Bauman ends with "Terry is Terry and it's his way of doing things." [REDACTED] then responds with "A lot I won't let you hurt him." Bauman asks for clarification and [REDACTED] responds that it is going to cost her, not just money, but sex too.

At 1433 hrs [REDACTED] tells Bauman how much he likes her.

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On 07/07/21 at 1737 hrs [REDACTED] sends "Hey beautiful.. is my price too high?"

On 07/27/21 at 1004 hrs [REDACTED] tells Bauman he has information but are you willing to get it. He follows up with "It's going to cost you." "You know the cost right." [REDACTED] then asks if she is not willing to take one for the team. Bauman responds whose team. [REDACTED] then wants to meet up for drinks. [REDACTED] keeps requesting Bauman call him then tells her he has some good information to help her with what's coming but she has to pay. [REDACTED] adds that he can let her into everything all she has to do is have sex with him. [REDACTED] tells Bauman to do it and walk away, he won't tell. [REDACTED] tells Bauman her husband won't know unless she tells him.

[REDACTED] repeats he has a lot of information and she knows the price [REDACTED] continues to proposition Bauman then asks if he could get Bauman to Wilke's computer, would she meet his price. At 1253 hrs [REDACTED] is upset that Bauman has not responded and he sends "He let me in charge. I'm going to dig into everything you need me on your side, it's just sex."

On 07/28/21 at 1030 hrs I made contact with [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] came out of his residence and agreed to speak with me. [REDACTED] said he hoped he was not in any trouble as he did not do anything wrong. I asked [REDACTED] if he was sending messages to Michelle Bauman yesterday via Facebook. [REDACTED] said he did. [REDACTED] said if people are going to go down he should get something out of it. [REDACTED] said Bauman has been looking for information on the food pantry since she took office and he is willing to provide it. [REDACTED] said he wants either a \$1,000.00 or sex from Bauman. I asked [REDACTED] what information he had about the food pantry or Wilke that he would make such a demand. [REDACTED] said Wilke did nothing wrong and the food pantry helps a large amount of people in this community. I asked [REDACTED] if he had any information regarding wrong doing on the part of Wilke or anyone associated with the food pantry. [REDACTED] said he did not but he wants money and sex from Bauman to give her that information. [REDACTED] said he knows it was inappropriate to send those messages but he is trying to help himself. I asked [REDACTED] what happened to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] said she was fired because she kept sending people to the food pantry to complete community service hours, despite being told the township will not associate with the food pantry any longer. On 07/29/21 at 1045 hrs I returned to the phone to Bauman. This matter will be referred to the Lake County State's Attorney's Office.

Reporting Officer

Jason Baldowsky #517

517 - BALDOWSKY, JASON R.
DETECTIVE

07/27/21

Approving Officer

Dan Burch #500

500 - BURCH, DAN
CHIEF

07/30/21

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#1 SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - CASE FOLLOW-UP

Reporting Officer

517 BALDOWSKY, JASON R.

Narrative Type

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT
CASE FOLLOW-UP


Date

08/10/21 Tue

On 08/09/21 at 1230 hrs Michelle L. Bauman contacted me reference this matter. Bauman said Terry Wilke started a website www.avontownship.com which he uses to complaint about township business.

Bauman said Wilke posted that she tried to bribe a volunteer for information with sex and money. I went to the website and under the heading August update 2021 is posted "Michelle Bauman gets an order of protection..It looks like she tried to bribe a volunteer into giving her information on the former Supervisor in exchange for sex and/or money. Gross!" This matter is still pending review with the Lake County State's Attorney's Office.

Reporting Officer


517 BALDOWSKY, JASON R.
DETECTIVE

08/10/21

Approving Officer


500 BURCH, DAN
CHIEF

08/13/21

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#2 SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - FORENSIC EXAM

Reporting Officer
517 BALDOWSKY, JASON R.

Narrative Type
SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT
FORENSIC EXAM


Date
08/17/21 Tue

On 08/13/21 I reviewed the forensic exam on Bauman's cell phone. There were no record of text messages, cell phone calls, or emails between [REDACTED] and Bauman. It appears they only communicated through Facebook. There were text messages from Bauman to others discussing Township business.

On 07/14/21 at 0606 UTC Bauman has a text exchange with [REDACTED]. In it she discusses that [REDACTED] was falsifying documents for people doing community service hours to Lake County Probation. Bauman indicates she reported this matter to Lake County officials.


On 07/16/21 at 1330 hrs I went before Judge Novak on this matter and he issued a search warrant for the Facebook accounts of [REDACTED] and Bauman. I served Facebook with the search warrant at 1418 hrs. Matter pending the results of the search warrant.

Reporting Officer


517 BALDOWSKY, JASON R.
DETECTIVE

08/17/21

Approving Officer


500 BURCH, DAN
CHIEF

08/18/21

Case Report

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Case Number: 202100557

#3 SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT - SEARCH WARRANT RETURN

Reporting Officer

517 BALDOWSKY, JASON R.

Narrative Type

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

SEARCH WARRANT RETURN

Date

08/31/21 Tue

On 08/26/21 I received the search warrant return from Facebook on this case. [REDACTED] account lists a date of birth of [REDACTED] and a phone number of [REDACTED] associated with the account. Both of these were confirmed as accurate and current for [REDACTED]. There were two emails associated with the account: [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

In viewing the content the message stream from [REDACTED] to Bauman occurred from 02/28/21 at 2020 UTC (1420 hrs local time) from 07/28/21 1458 hrs UTC (0858 hrs local time). The content was the same as the screen shots I collected from Bauman on 07/27/21. There no additional messages between the two. In examining [REDACTED] account it does not appear that anyone communicated with [REDACTED] via Facebook reference his comments to Bauman.

I examined Bauman's account and found the same message stream with the same time stamps. Again no different messages than those already documented. No other material of value was observed in either account. This matter will be screened with the Lake County State's Attorney's Office.

Reporting Officer

Jason Baldowsky 517
517 BALDOWSKY, JASON R.
DETECTIVE

08/31/21

Approving Officer

Dan Burch 500
500 BURCH, DAN
CHIEF

09/03/21